

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER RULE 53(b)

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b), please file a

☒ continuation/☐ divisional  
of the pending prior PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor: NISHIUMI et al

Serial No. 08/836,787

Filed: May 16, 1997

For: OPERATING DEVICE AND IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM USING SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This request for filing under Rule 53(b) is made by the following named inventor(s) (using the above-identified title):

Inventor(s): NISHIUMI et al

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Date: January 8, 1999

Group: 2775

Examiner: D. Lewis

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- ☒ Attached is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed including the specification, claims, Oath/Declaration and drawings (if any) and abstract (if any). No amendments (if any) referenced in the Oath or Declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter.
- ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year/Filed
7-288006	Japan	9 October 1995
8-176005	Japan	13 June 1996
PCT/JP96/02932	PCT	October 9, 1996

- ☒ certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) attached or  
☐ already filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior appln. no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ already filed in PCT/JP96/02932 filed October 9, 1996
- ☒ The prior application is assigned to Nintendo Co., Ltd.
- ☒ Power of Attorney has been granted to John R. Lastova et al, Reg. No. 33,149 of Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 North Glebe Road, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22201.
- ☒ Address all future communications to: Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 North Glebe Road, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22201.
- ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line --This is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/836,787, filed May 16, 1997, now allowed.--

- ☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure copendency.
- ☒ The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.
- ☒ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:
- ☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application above-referenced is considered as being part of the disclosure of this new application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

**FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HERewith CANCELED**

Basic Filing Fee.....	\$	760.00
Total effective claims 10 - 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00.....	\$	0.00
Independent claims 2 - 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 78.00.....	\$	0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$260.00 (ignore improper).....	\$	0.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	\$	<b>760.00</b>
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Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00).....	\$	0.00
<b>TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED</b>	\$	<b>760.00</b>

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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